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The aluminum plant at Svaty Kriz nad Hronom (Q 49/C 54) started production in January 1954. It is equipped with modern machinery and works to capacity. Efforts are concentrated on the manufacture of aluminum sheets. The first sheets to be manufactured were faulty and not qualified for further processing requiring a minimum degree of precision. For this reason, several carloads of aluminum sheets were shipped to the Tatrasmal Plant at Matejovice (Q 50/D 68) for the manufacture of household utensils.

**Comment.** The aluminum plant in Svaty Kriz nad Hronom started production as early as August 1953. Originally, production was scheduled to be started on 1 May 1953. No information is available on the output and the capacity of the aluminum works. In the Czechoslovakian Government Bulletin dated 2 February 1954, reference was made to the law dated 20 January 1954 and related to the "State plan for the development of the nationalized Czechoslovakian economy for 1954" according to which the 1954 aluminum output was to be increased by more than 600 percent over the 1953 aluminum output.

**Comment.**

the plant is presumably that of the  
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